EXTENDED LEARNING AND INTEGRATED STUDENT SUPPORTS COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM

HOW TO APPLY

*NOTE: The proposed timeline is tentative and subject to change based on the number of applications received and any actions taken by the SBE.

For 2017-18 Extended Learning and Integrated Student Supports Competitive Grant Program (ELISS), all applications must be completed on the web-based grants management system, the North Carolina Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP). Applicants may find it helpful to use the Application Planning Worksheets to begin collecting the necessary information and to ensure that all narratives are drafted prior to entering the information into the CCIP system. Only applications submitted through CCIP will be reviewed and evaluated. Applications must be submitted through CCIP by 11:59 pm EST on October 13, 2017.*

• Complete and submit the Intent to Apply form by September 30, 2017.*

An organization that intends to apply for the ELISS grant is encouraged to notify the Department of its intent no later than September 30, 2017.* Information collected will be used to determine the number of reviewers needed for the application review process. Please note that the submission of this notice is not a prerequisite for application of grant funds, nor does it obligate the organization to submit an application.

• Select and register to participate in one of the informational webinars.

Technical assistance is provided to potential applicants to describe general requirements of the after-school program and required components of the application for funding. NCDPI will conduct a webinar on September 13, 2017.* To register for a webinar, <u>CLICK HERE.</u>

• Develop the organization's proposal utilizing the Request for Proposals Guidance and Planning Worksheets.

Although using the Planning Worksheets is not required and will not be collected, it is strongly recommended to ensure that all necessary information is collected by the applicant prior to entering information into the CCIP system.

• Prepare to use the Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP).

The Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP) is a unified grants application and verification system that consists of two parts: the Planning Tool and the Funding Application. A valid NCID is required to access CCIP. If you do not have one, please <u>CLICK HERE</u> and register as a "Business" entity (required for nonprofit corporations). To be made "known" to the system, submit your NCID user name (NOT password) to Anita Harris at anita.harris@dpi.nc.gov.

For organizations that have NOT been trained on the system, training will be offered on September 19-21, 2017.* To register for a training session, <u>CLICK HERE</u>. Training is offered <u>ONLY</u> for organizations that have not been trained previously.